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[Despatch Abstract.]

COMMITTEEs - FOREST GRIEVANCES ENQUIRY COMMITTEES & SOUTH KANARA RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING - LIVESTOCK - ORDERS PASSED.

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ABSTRACT
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Committees - Forest Grievances Enquiry Committee, South Kanara - Recommendations regarding Livestock - Orders passed.

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G.O.Ms.No.476 Dated: 8.2.1952.
Read Again:-

G.O.Ms.No.1420 Dev. dated 10.4.1950.

Read also:-

From the D.A.H.No.7468/II/50 dated 21.11.50.
From the Director of Animal Husbandary Roc.No.7468-II/50-9 dated 22.2.1951.

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Order:-

The Forest Grievances Enquiry Committee, South Kanara constituted in the Government Order cited made the following recommendations under the head "Livestock":-

(1) The local authorities have to devise ways and means to attract larger number of dealers and cattle to the fair by affording special facilities and amenities. The policy of making the fair self-supporting by increasing the tolls does not commend itself and therefore the District Board may reconsider the matter and if possible reduce the toll to the last year's level.

(2) The sales of cattle at the fair may be exempted from sales Tax and, if the exemption is considered inexpedient, the tax authorities may be instructed to keep off.

(3) A ban may be imposed on the export of cattle outside the district and to the islands except under a permit issed by the District Veterinary Officer.

(4) The opening of Cooperative Salvage Farms in the Forest areas of Malnad with Government assistance is absolutely necessary to ensure the cattle wealth and improve it.

(5) There are only six stud bulls in Malnad villages and there is very large need for increasing the number in Malnad area.

(6) Provision may be made for opening of atleast 5 Veterinary institutions in Malnad next year at Kadaba and Sullia in Puttur Taluk, Venoor and Ajekar in Karkal Taluk and Sankaranarayana in Coondapoor Taluk.

(7) A cattle breeding farm may be opened in each of the Malnad taluks other than puttur taluk on a small scale under the ~~carr~~ charge of the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon attached to the Dispensaries in the Taluks.

The Government have examined these suggestions in consultation with the Director of Animal Husbandary and proceed to pass the following orders:--

Item (1) above:- The Director of Animal Husbandary has agreed with the Committee that imports of cattle should be encouraged by giving all attractions to breeders to bring their cattle to the South Kanara fairs. He is doubtful if the small fee imposed will discourage the breeders to bring their cattle to the fairs. He has suggested that the fees may be collected from the buyers, as the District Board in organising the fair spends some money, a part of which at least should be collected. In view of the unsatisfactory financial condition of the District Board it is not advisable for the District Board to lose the income from the tolls. The suggestion of the Director of Animal Husbandary to collect tolls from buyers will only transfer the incidence and be of no real benefit. In these circumstances the recommendation of the Committee is negatived.

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Item (2) above:- Sales tax exemption will be a form of invisible subsidy undesirable on financial grounds. The suggestion of the Committee is therefore negatived.

Item (3) above:- The Director of Animal Husbandary has stated that, to ban export of cattle without providing for economical maintenance, will be inflicting a heavy burden on the ryots and has therefore suggested that any measure to this direction should await the establishment of salvage farms in the forest areas on self-supporting basis. The Director's view is accepted and the recommendation of the Committee is negatived.

Item (4) above:- The Director of Considers that a grass farm can be started in the Malnad area. But the approximate cost of opening a 2,000 acre grass farm estimated at Rs.8,00,000 non-recurring and Rs.1,06,900 recurring. In view of the huge cost involved the proposal of the Director of Animal Husbandary is deferred.

The Director of Animal Husbandary has stated that one Sri Punja and the District Veteninary Officer have been asked to gather information regarding the demand for the opening of a salvage farm for dry cattle in South Kanara District. His report is awaited.

Item (5) above:- The Director of Animal Husbandary has stated that distribution of stud bulls has not been encouraging and that a number of bulls are being returned because the people are not taking interest and feeding them properly. He has therefore recommended that special propaganda may be done by the departmental staff in the course of their tour. The Directors recommendation is accepted and he is requested to issue instructions to the departmental staff to carry special propaganda in South Kanara Malnad for the maintenance of stud bulls.

In connection with the drawing of immediate plans for the Central Malnad planning Committee, the Director has suggested that local bodies and co-operative Societies can be made to maintain bulls under the premium and bull distribution schemes and that two breeding bulls may be maintained in each Government Veterinary institutions. The Government have considered the Director's suggestion while examining the recommendations of the Forest Grievances Enquiry Committee and direct that 14 stud bulls should be maintained in the whole of South Kanara Malnad (5 bulls by local bodies, 5 by private individuals and 4 in Government institutions) The Director of Animal Husbandary is accordingly requested to submit proposals for the distribution of 14 stud bulls in South Kanara Malnad at an estimated cost of Rs.11,000/- Non-recurring and Rs.5,500 recurring.

Item(6) above:- Considering the existing facilities available for Veterinary aid in the Malnad area of South Kanara District, the Government consider that one Veterinary Institution at an estimated cost of Rs.2,050 Non-recurring and Rs.4,881/- recurring and one mobile unit at an estimated cost of Rs.15,000/- Non-recurring and Rs.2,000/- recurring are necessary. The Director of Animal Husbandary is accordingly requested to submit detailed proposals.

Item (7) above:- The Government have sanctioned the opening of a Livestock Farm at Koila. They have also sanctioned a poultry unit as a part of the Koila farm at a cost of Rs.9,200/- non-recurring and Rs.5,700 recurring in the first year and Rs.10,200/- in the second year. The Director of Animal Husbandary considers that it is important that this farm is made a success and animals based there distributed in the district. He is of the view that expansion can be thought of only after gaining sufficient experience in the district. The Director's view is accepted and the proposal of the Forest Grievances Enquiry Committee is deferred.

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